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Acting Chair of the Portfolio Committee (Hon M Dikgacwi)

RE: Intervention Sought on Mzonke Fana vs. Argenis Mendez IBF Jr. Lightweight Championship - Mandatory Defense 11 June 2011.

I imagine that these must be especially hectic times for you as a committed Acting Chairperson of the sterling Committee of Sport and Recreation, again both in your capacity as somebody not only willing to objectively contribute and develop sport but protect the interests of the athletes, given a chance.

I say all the above to apologise that I impose an additional burden on you by sending you this long letter. Following the developments relating to the task I have, that of fighting **Argenis Mendez on the IBF Jr. Lightweight Championship - Mandatory Defence.**

I have carefully considered what was written on the media about the above stated fight. The events that came to pass in the last month following the pronouncements made on the budget vote of Sport and Recreation 2011 with regard to my fight were disturbingly and dominantly unhelpful from the media. I have been hurting in silence due to the obvious grinding pain; that not a single person has bothered to seek my permission to talk about me in the media, let alone being engaged by relevant people. This is leaving me with very little option, but to seek your Committee's direct intervention pertaining to this matter. Thus I am pleading to you and Committee, with your liberty of course, to assist me in establishing the following:

- To find the where about of my contract for the supposed staged fight
- To establish who agreed on the purse on my behalf as a World Champ and factors considered for such an agreement without my knowledge
- What was the problem with the announced venue by the Minister of Sport during the Budget Vote
- To establish the authenticity of the postponement of the fight and the reasons thereof

- To establish why was my title stripped without any engagement with me, let alone throwing a punch in the ring.
- Why my title was stripped through the media, was it pure recklessness and ignorance
- Whether was it a sin to ask for the purse money which I thought I deserve as a World Champ
- Why was I pulled out of the 11 June 2011 fight
- To critically look at whether my interest were served as an athlete
- To critically look at whether the contractual obligation between me as a boxer and the Promoter were genuinely served
- To leave no stone unturned and probe as far as possible whether fairness and reasonability was exercised.

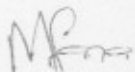
I have decided to take the unusual step to write you a confidential letter because the unusual situation that has now arisen in my situation requires odd steps, if we are to avoid detrimental effects to boxers. I also write to place on record that nobody should use my name to settle lateral scores without my full knowledge. The potential of this conundrum stand to erode away my possible positive future as an active boxer if it's left un-addressed.

I therefore appeal to you Honourable Chair to assist and reply to these concerns in frank manner so that I can be assured that the deduction we both seek to advance, that boxing should prosper without stains is indeed realized.

As a small plea in this regard, I appeal again that nobody should abuse or cite my name falsely to promote his/their narrow interests.

I pray that this letter find space and peace in you as well as favourable consideration going forward. It's an attempt and effort to dispel perceptions along with exposing reality of my plight. I write to you with full cognisance that you are aware of the dilemma and predicament of other boxers in this country, as this game is a manner of livelihood to most of us, particularly black boxers, we depend on this game for survival and sustenance of our families, please intervene.

Your's faithfully



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